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In re Application of

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2004, Applicant states as follows:

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-11, 13-18 and 20-35 are all the claims presently pending in the application.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that claims 5, 12 and 19 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. However, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims are allowable and, therefore, declines to rewrite these claims at this time.

Claims 1-4, 6-11, 13-18 and 20-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cannon et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,748,484) in view of Mack et al. (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2002/0054115).

Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Specifically, Applicant submits that these alleged references would not have been combined and even if combined the alleged combination would not teach or suggest each and every element and limitation of the claimed invention.

However, in the interest of expediting prosecution, Applicant points out to the Examiner that Mack is not prior art against the claimed invention of the present Application.

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Dear Examiner Zhou:

Enclosed please find a Response and Submission of Verified Translation of Priority Document which are filed response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2004, and which should place the Application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Phillip E. Miller

Very truly yours,

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